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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Masao WASHIZU et al.**

Serial Number: **Not Yet Assigned**

Filed: **September 27, 2000**

For: **METHOD FOR SEPARATING SUBSTANCES USING  
DIELECTROPHORETIC FORCES**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

September 27, 2000

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees of the above application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 9, line 1, change "any one of claims 1 to 8" to --claim 8~~2~~-.

Claim 10, line 1, change "any one of claims 1 to 9" to --claim 9--.

Claim 13, line 1, change "10" to --11~~2~~-.

REMARKS

The above amendment is believed to place the claims in proper condition for examination.

Early and favorable action is awaited.